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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a prima facie prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

**CONCISE EXPLANATION OF  
RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

Document A1 relates to an information extraction management device in a digital color copier which computes storage area of memory corresponding to selected information, based on which specific information is extracted according to set copying change. Also, copying cost is reduced by advertising.

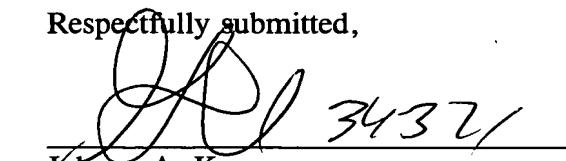
Document A2 relates to an information delivery system for communicating advertisements and news, which has a centralized controller connected to a facsimile via a public telephone circuit for performing tele-diagnosis.

English translations of the documents are not readily available; however, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609). English language abstracts are attached.

The instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b) within three (3) months of the filing date of the above-identified application.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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	A1	11-355549	12/24/1999	Japan			Abstract
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